RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, Dr. Gopala Pillai, the Head of the Public Health Department, made that statement.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Has the Sanitary Department nothing to do with such centres?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no longer any Sanitary Department. It was amalgamated with the Public Health Department and the department now functioning is the Public Health Department.

Bridge on the Todupuzha-Kanjiramattom road.

49 *MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have given administrative sanction to put up a bridge in the stream across the Todupuzha-Kanjiramattom road;

(*b*) whether estimate was prepared for the same;

(*c*) whether that road has been completed if not, why not;

(*d*) whether the sanction has been withdrawn; and

(*e*) whether a foot-bridge has been provided there; if so, at what expense?

MR. G B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The first section of the road up to the river-crossing has been completed.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) Yes, at a cost of Rs. 262.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know the year in which it was sanctioned?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): In 1928.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*)): May I know why the estimate was not prepared for the last seven years?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Because the Division Officer at Alwaye reported that it would cost a very great amount.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know whether the member will be in a position to say the approximate amount?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Rs. 8,800.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know why the member has not answered to the second part, "if not, why not" of clause (*c*) of the question?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): I am taking the road to be in two sections. One section has been completed. I am afraid the member was speaking with regard to the road being of one section only.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know the extent of the second portion of the road?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): About 6 furlongs.

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MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know what will be the probable cost for completing that 6 furlongs?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Rs. 7,800.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know whether it will include the cost of the bridge also?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Yes, it will include the cost of the bridge also.

MR. K. A NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know on whose recommendation the foot-bridge was constructed?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) I believe it was on the recommendation of the Division Officer and at the request of some local inhabitants.

MR. K. A NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Was it a written or an oral request?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): I am not aware.

PRESIDENT: Are these, whether they were written or oral, very important questions? Only relevant questions are to be asked in supplementary questions?

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Sir, a word of explanation why I ask these questions. This road was proposed to be opened by the Executive Engineer then in charge of the Alwaye Division. When he was transferred and when a new Division Officer came, in his opinion and on communal considerations the road and bridge were not found necessary. This matter was agitated in the public press and hence these questions were necessitated.

PRESIDENT: All these questions were put and answered. Any more questions, please?

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): One question more. I want to know whether the Chief Engineer proposes to complete this 6 furlongs road in the near future?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): It is a question for future consideration.

Applications for fee concession.

50. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date from which the system of deciding the applications for fee concession by a committee appointed for the purpose has been pursued

(*b*) the rules regarding the constitution of the Fee Concession Committee up to 1109;

(*c*) whether there is any change in the rules regarding the constitution of the Committee for 1110 and

(*d*) the nature of the change and the reasons therefor?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) From the beginning of the school year 1924-25.

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